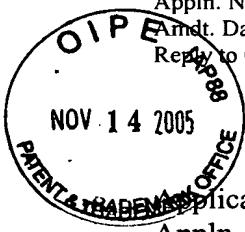


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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2005 (Paper No. 0805). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on November 11, 2005. This amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$790.00 for the RCE fee.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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